

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1) 9:39 Jesus came to save; and yet by his very deliverance, He judged every man.
- 2) 9:40 If we acknowledge our blindness, we can be free from sin. But if we claim we can already see when we are really blind, there is no remedy.
- 3) 10:1-6 Nowhere in all of Scripture is Jesus more clearly portrayed as the Shepherd than in John 10. This metaphor of a shepherd suggests tender care and leading.
- 4) 10:7-10 It is through Jesus—and only through Jesus—that lost sinners can approach the Father and gain salvation.
- 5) Christ's sheep experience God's love, forgiveness, protection and salvation. They go in and out freely, always having access to God's blessing and protection.
- 6) 10:8 Jesus identified the Pharisees as "thieves and robbers." They seized positions which they had no right to occupy, exerted an authority which did not belong to them, and unlawfully demanded a submission to which they could establish no valid claim.
- 7) 10:9 Five important details:
 - 1) "I am the door"—Jesus is the only Way to God.
 - 2) "By me if any man enter"—Jesus is the only source of capacity to enter.
 - 3) "If any man enter"—Jesus is the Savior for Jews and Gentiles.
 - 4) "If any man enter in"—Jesus is appropriated by a single action of faith.
 - 5) "he shall be saved"—Jesus Christ is the Deliverer from the penalty, power, and presence of sin.

- 8) 10:11 Under the Old Testament Law, the sheep died for the shepherd. Now the Good Shepherd dies for the sheep!
- 9) While the blood of Jesus is sufficient for salvation of the world, it is efficient only for those who will believe.
- 10) 10:14-15 The word "know" is used here to indicate a unique love relationship with His people.
- 11) 10:16 The other sheep are Gentiles. To suggest unity of the Jews and the Gentiles in one flock was a revolutionary concept!
- 12) 10:17-18 Jesus was not a helpless pawn on history's chessboard. He was in total control of the circumstances.
- 13) 10:19-21 A door by its very nature shuts some people in and others out. It is impossible to be neutral about Jesus Christ, for what we believe about Him determines what we do next!
- 14) We must come to God by Jesus Christ, or not at all. Salvation never will occur through any name other than His.

GREEK WORDS

Perissos (per-is-sos') (in the sense of beyond); superabundant (in quantity) or superior (in quality); by implication excessive
Theōreō (teh-o-reh'-o)—to discern, or intensive [acknowledge]):- consider, perceive